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Conference on Church, Community and State

SERVICE OF WORSHIP

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PRAISE

All standing say responsively with the leader:

L. The Lord is in his holy temple, the Lord's throne is in heaven; his eyes behold, his eyelids try, the children of men.

R. I will praise thee, O Lord, with my whole heart: I will show forth all thy marvellous works.

L. O magnify the Lord with me, and let us exalt his name together.

R. The Lord liveth; and blessed be my rock; and let the God of my salvation be exalted.

L. What is man that thou art mindful of him? and the son of man, that thou visitest him?

R. Our Father which art in Heaven . . .

L. The Lord is my rock, and my fortress and my deliverer; my God, my strength, in whom I will trust.

R. The Lord is my strength and my shield; my heart trusted in Him and I am helped: therefore my heart greatly rejoiceth: and with my song will I praise Him.

Song: Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty . . .

No. 3. (*The organist will strike the opening chord.*)

SELF-EXAMINATION BEFORE GOD:

(*All seated or kneeling*).

L. God has bestowed upon me manifold and distinctive gifts and graces of body, mind and spirit. Have I used these gifts to the glory of His name and in obedience to His holy will?

Silence.

L. Have I allowed my 'Volk' heritage, through my own ignorance, pride and self-centeredness, to become 'a middle wall of partition' between me and those of other races and cultures?

Silence.

L. Have I been truly a brother to my fellow-men irrespective of caste, colour, creed or nationality?

Silence.

L. Have I allowed myself to fall under the temptation of theological hair-splitting at this conference and letting man's injustice and cruelty to man go on unchallenged?

Silence.

L. Let not the wise man glory in his wisdom, neither let the mighty man glory in his might; let not the rich man glory in his riches: But let him that glorieth glory in this that he understandeth and knoweth me, that I am the Lord which exerciseth loving kindness, judgment, and righteousness in the earth: for in these things I delight, saith the Lord.

Silence.

INTERCESSION.

verses 1, 2, and 4.

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